

Mytilus modiolus and all species which have been referred to *Modiolus* [vel *Modiola*] differ from *Mytilus* s.str. (type species *Mytilus edulis* Linnaeus, 1758) in the absence of hinge-teeth. Scopoli, however, divided his Gens Bivalvia into two groups. "Distributio I" and "Distributio II", the former characterized as "cardine edentato" and the latter as "cardine dentato". He included the genus *Mytilus* (of which he cited no species) in the former and *Volsella* in the latter. Moreover, the generic diagnosis of *Volsella* states "cardo . . . terminant denticuli exigui", and *Mytilus modiolus* Linnaeus, is described by Scopoli as "dente unico". Scopoli's whole treatment of these mussels is, therefore, most confused, and it seems obvious that he did not intend to apply the name *Volsella* to the group familiarly known as *Modiolus* or *Modiola*.

3. *Vulsella* is a very familiar name for a genus of Tertiary and living pelecypods and a family name VULSELLIDAE is derived from it; it is highly desirable that it should be stabilized and placed on the *Official List of Generic Names*.

**SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSALS RELATING TO THE
GENERIC NAMES "CRANGON" FABRICIUS, 1798,
"CARCINUS" LEACH, 1814, AND "SCYLLARIDES" GILL,
1898 (CLASS CRUSTACEA) SUBMITTED BY DR. L. B.
HOLTHUIS**

By RICARDO ZARIQUIEY
(*Enfermedades de la Infancia, Barcelona, Spain*)

(Commission's reference Z.N.(S.)231, 209, 473)

(Letter dated 25th July 1951)

Estudiadas detenidamente las propuestas Z.N.(S.)231 sobre el uso de los nombres genéricos *Crangon* Fabricius, 1798, y *Alpheus* Fabricius, 1798, la Z.N.(S.)209 sobre el uso del nombre genérico *Carcinus* Leach, 1814, y la Z.N.(S.) 473 sobre el nombre genérico *Scyllarides* Gill, 1898, debo manifestarle que estoy de acuerdo con las conclusiones de las mismas y que Voto "SI" a lo que propone el Dr. L. R. Holthuis, ponente de las mismas.